

Patrick McHenry is serving his third term in the United States Congress where he represents the citizens of North Carolina's 10th District. Congressman McHenry's district comprises ten counties in Western North Carolina, from the suburbs of Charlotte to the home of Nascar in Mooresville to the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

In Congress, McHenry serves as a Deputy Republican Whip, helping to manage the legislative priorities of Congressional Republicans on the House floor. Congressman McHenry is a member of the House Financial Services Committee, which deals with federal legislation related to banking, insurance and real estate. He is also a member of the House Budget Committee and the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

As the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, Congressman McHenry is responsible for oversight of the 2010 Decennial Census. He is leading a non-partisan coalition of elected officials, statisticians, and former Census Directors in opposition to the Obama Administration's unprecedented effort to politicize the constitutionally-mandated census. The Congressman is working to protect the integrity of the census – the basis for our entire statistical system – through a full and accurate count that is free of partisan politics and data manipulation.

Throughout his career, Congressman McHenry has been a vocal and effective advocate for the men and women who wear the uniform of our country. He received awards from the North Carolina Chapters of the American Legion and Marine Corps League for his extensive work in bringing a veterans' health care clinic to his district after nearly two decades of delay. The National Guard presented Patrick McHenry with the Charles Dick Medal of Merit for his exceptional service to the North Carolina National Guard.

Recognized as a leader of the conservative movement in America, Patrick McHenry is the Chairman of the House Conservatives Fund. He shares the most conservative voting record in Congress on family values issues, according to National Journal. Having never voted for a tax increase in his career, Congressman McHenry is continually recognized as a “Hero of the Taxpayer” by Americans for Tax Reform.

Congressman McHenry is the recipient of several additional awards including: the National Association of Manufacturing’s “Manufacturing Legislative Excellence” Award, the Small Business and Entrepreneurship Council’s “Small Business Champion” Award, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s “Spirit of Enterprise” Award, the 60 Plus Association’s “Guardian of Seniors’ Rights” Award, the Family Research Council’s “True Blue” Award, and Citizens Against Government Waste’s “Taxpayer Hero” Award.

Prior to being elected to Congress in 2004 at the age of 29, Patrick McHenry represented the 109th District in the North Carolina House of Representatives. He also served as Special Assistant to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor, a post he was appointed to by President Bush. Patrick McHenry is a graduate of Ashbrook High School in Gastonia, N.C. and Belmont Abbey College, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in History. Congressman McHenry lives in his hometown of Cherryville, N.C. and worships at Saint Michael’s Church.